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SUBJ: PRESIDENT GHIZIKIS ON RETRIBUTION FOR JUNTA

1. FORMER PRIME MINISTER STEPHANOS STEPHANOPOULOS TOLD CORRESPONDENTS THIS WEEK THAT PRESIDENT GHIZIKIS REPORTEDLY SAID LAST MONTH THAT "WE SHALL DEAL WITH THOSE RESPONSIBLE-- FOR THE PRESENT CRISIS--AS SOON AS THE COUNTRY'S TRIAL FROM THE CYPRUS CRISIS IS OVER." STEPHANOPOULOS SAID GHIZIKIS MADE STATEMENT ON JULY 23 WHEN HE INVITED FORMER PREMIERS TO CONSULT IN SHAPING CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT. STEPHANOPOULOS ADDED THAT EVENTS LEADING UP TO COUP AGAINST MAKARIOS SHOULD BE INVESTIGATED BECAUSE COUP CONSTITUTED BEGINNING OF NATIONAL DISASTER CONFRONTING GREECE.

2. WHILE SEVERAL POLITICAL LEADERS AND LOCAL PRESS HAVE CALLED FOR PUNISHMENT OF THOSE JUNTA MEMBERS WHO LED NATION TO CYPRUS TRAGEDY REFERRING TO PUNISHMENT IN 1922 FOR ASIA MINOR DISASTER OF FIVE MINISTERS AND COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF ARMED FORCES WHO WERE EXECUTED BY FIRING SQUAD, NEW GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY HAS PARRIED  
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QUERIES WITH COMMENT THAT NATIONAL CRISIS MUST BE DEALT WITH FIRST. ACTION AGAINST NOVEMBER 25 COUP LEADERS

COULD READILY EXTEND TO APRIL 21 JUNTA MEMBERS AND  
AS ALREADY REPORTED HAVE NEGATIVE IMPACT ON MILITARY  
MORALE AND CAPABILITY. CARAMANLIS' REFERENCE IN AUGUST 15  
SPEECH TO DICTATORSHIP'S JULY 15 COUP IN CYPRUS AS  
MISTAKE HAS REPORTEDLY CAUSED SOME CONCERN AMONG  
ARMY OFFICERS. TASCA

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